

Propagation of First and Second Sound in a Highly-Elongated Trapped Bose Condensed Gas at Finite temperatures

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Abstract

We study sound propagation in Bose-condensed gases in a highly-elongated harmonic trap at finite temperatures. This problem is studied within the framework of Zaremba-Nikuni-Griffin (ZNG) formalism, which consists of a generalized Gross-Pitaevskii (GP) equation for the condensate and the kinetic equation for a thermal cloud. We extend the ZNG formalism to deal with a highly-anisotropic trap potential, and use it to simulate sound propagation using the trap parameters corresponding to the experiment on sound pulse propagation at finite temperature. We focus on the high-density two-fluid hydrodynamic regime, and explore the possibility of observing first and second sound pulse propagation. The results of numerical simulation are compared with analytical results derived from linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations. We show that the second sound mode makes a dominant contribution to condensate motion in relatively high temperature, while the first sound mode makes an appreciable contribution.

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I. INTRODUCTION

One of the phenomena attracting attention is the superfluid dynamics in ultracold atomic gases. Recently, there has been renewed interest in second sound mode in superfluid Bose and Fermi gases [1–5]. The existence of second sound is the most dramatic effects related to superfluidity in superfluid Bose and Fermi gases, which are described by Landau’s two-fluid hydrodynamics analogous to the case of liquid ^4He [6]. These equations describe the dynamics when collisions are sufficiently strong to produce a state of local thermodynamic equilibrium [7]. In this regime first and second sound modes can be distinguished. The occurrence of two distinct modes is caused by the presence of both superfluid component and normal fluid component, which are coupled to each other. The study of ultracold gases in collisional hydrodynamic regime has been difficult because the density and the s -wave scattering length are typically not large enough. In the case of superfluid Fermi gases, Feshbach resonances allow ones to achieve conditions where the Landau two-fluid description is correct. Recent experiments have observed sound propagation in trapped superfluid Fermi gases with a Feshbach resonance [3, 8, 9].

We note that the occurrence of two sound modes is caused by the coupled motion of the superfluid component and normal fluid component. First sound is essentially an in-phase oscillation of superfluid and normal fluid components, while second sound is an oscillation of two components. This is a general feature of first and second sound, which is valid both for a dilute Bose gas and for superfluid ^4He . However, the detailed characteristics and behaviors of two sound modes are quite different in a Bose gas and in superfluid ^4He . In superfluid ^4He , first sound is essentially a pressure wave, while second sound is essentially a temperature wave. In this case, second sound is completely uncoupled to the density fluctuations. The situation is quite different in a dilute Bose gas, as discussed in Ref. [12]. At very low temperature, the first sound mode is essentially the condensate collective mode and the second sound mode is the collective mode of quasiparticle excitations. With increasing temperature, hybridization two modes occurs, and the nature of the sound oscillations changes. At higher temperature, the first sound mostly involves the noncondensate oscillation, while the second sound mostly involves the condensate oscillation. In the case of a Bose gas, both first and second sound modes are coupled to density fluctuations. Therefore, the second sound pole makes a significant pole to the dynamic density response function. This means that, in

contrast to the case of superfluid ^4He , one can probe second sound in a dilute Bose gas by density perturbation.

Experimentally, sound wave in a highly-elongated trapped gas can be excited by a sudden modification of a trapping potential using the focused laser beam. The resulting density perturbations propagate with a speed of sound. This type of sound pulse experiment was first carried out by MIT group for a Bose gas to probe Bogoliubov sound [10]. Observed sound velocity was in good agreement with theoretical predictions [11]. In the case of trapped Fermi gases, first sound has been observed by the sound pulse propagation experiment [3]. Theoretically, sound pulse propagation in a trapped Bose gas have been studied for $T = 0$ using Gross-Pitaevskii equation [5, 11–13] and for a normal phase using the hydrodynamic equation [14]. The sound propagation was also studied theoretically for a normal Fermi gas using the kinetic equation [15]. The sound pulse propagation in superfluid Fermi gases in the two-fluid hydrodynamic regime was studied in Ref. [16]. In this regime, it was shown that two types of sound pulses, corresponding to first and second sound, propagate with their sound velocities.

More recently, sound propagation in Bose-condensed gases has been observed in Ref. [4] when the thermal cloud is in the hydrodynamic regime and the system is therefore described by the two-fluid model by using highly-elongated (cigar-shaped) traps. This experimental work reported evidence for a second sound mode in superfluid Bose gases, but first sound mode was not clearly identified. For completeness of the two-fluid hydrodynamics, it will be important to observe both first and second sound.

In this paper, we study sound pulse propagation in Bose-condensed gases in a highly-elongated harmonic trap at finite temperatures. In order to simulate the coupled motion of the condensate and noncondensate components in a fully consistent manner, we use the formalism developed by Zaremba, Nikuni, and Griffin (ZNG) [6, 17], that consists of a generalized Gross-Pitaevskii (GP) equation for a condensate and a kinetic equation for the thermal component. ZNG equations treat the excitations semiclassically within the Hartree-Fock (HF) approximation. Thus, the excitations dynamics with a thermal cloud of particles is governed by a Boltzmann equation for the phase-space distribution function. The coupled GP and Boltzmann equations include the transfer of atoms into and out of the condensate, which is taken together with mean-field coupling between the two components.

We will present several dynamical simulations of sound propagation based on the ZNG

formalism. The procedure involves solving simultaneously a GP equation for the condensate and a Boltzmann kinetic equation for the thermal cloud. The sound pulse is excited by the same manner as the experiment way [4]. In the case of a trapped Bose gas, one might think that the thermal density perturbations (first sound) is so small that one cannot distinguish small density perturbations from signal-to-noise in the thermal cloud. However, we will show that both first and second sound mode can be observed by a sudden modification of a trapping potential at intermediate temperatures.

Since we are interested in the collision-dominated hydrodynamic regime, we have to simulate the system with a large number of thermal cloud atoms in order to achieve high enough density. However, numerical simulation of the ZNG equations for the system with a large number of thermal cloud atoms is very time consuming. In the present study, in order to save cost of numerical calculation, we derive quasi-1D ZNG equations by expanding the field operator in radial modes of the trap potential [18]. As shown in Ref. [18], even when the dynamics of Bose-condensed gases in a highly-elongated harmonic trap is well approximated by 1-dimensional (1D) GP equation, the momentum space of the thermal cloud must be treated as three dimensional (3D), because the thermal cloud atoms typically have kinetic energy much larger than the typical energy associated with the radial trap frequency. Combining the work in Ref. [18] with the ZNG kinetic theory [6, 17], we develop the quasi-1D kinetic theory that include the degree of freedom in the radial direction.

In Sec. II, we introduce quasi-1D ZNG equations appropriate for a highly-elongated Bose gas. The discussion closely follows the original approach given by Zaremba et al [6, 17]. In this formalism, the condensate is described by a generalized quasi-1D GP equation for the Bose order parameter. It involves terms that are coupled to the noncondensate component. As in Refs [6] and [17], we restrict ourselves to finite temperatures high enough that noncondensate atoms can be described by a semiclassical kinetic equation for the single-particle distribution function.

In Sec. III, we show dynamical simulations for a Bose condensed gas in a highly-elongated harmonic trap with parameters corresponding to the experiment. We also estimate the collisional relaxation rate which defines the two-fluid hydrodynamic regime.

In Sec. IV, we discuss the first and second sound amplitude for condensate and non-condensate components separately using linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations. In this section, we consider a uniform Bose condensed gas for simplicity. We calculate the relative

weights of first and second sound mode using HF approximation for calculating thermodynamic various variables and compare those calculating by the dynamical simulation of the coupled ZNG equations.

II. QUASI 1D ZNG EQUATIONS OF A BOSE CONDENSED GAS IN A HIGHLY-ELONGATED HARMONIC TRAP

We consider a Bose condensed gas confined highly-elongated harmonic trap potential. Our system is described by the following Hamiltonian :

$$\hat{H} = \int d\mathbf{r} \left\{ \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{r}, t) \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \nabla^2 + V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}) \right] \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, t) + \frac{g}{2} \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{r}, t) \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{r}, t) \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, t) \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, t) \right\}, \quad (1)$$

with an anisotropic harmonic potential $V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{M}{2}[\omega_\perp(x^2 + y^2) + \omega_z z^2]$. In this paper, we consider a highly-elongated trap potential $\omega_z \ll \omega_\perp$. As usual, we treat the interatomic interaction in the s -wave approximation with $g = 4\pi\hbar^2 a/M$, where a is the s -wave scattering length and M is an atomic mass. In order to separate the radial and longitudinal degree of freedom, we expand the field operator in terms of the radial wavefunction[18]

$$\hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_n \hat{\psi}_n(z, t) \phi_n(x, y), \quad (2)$$

where $\phi_n(x, y)$ is the normalized eigenfunction of the radial part of the single-particle Hamiltonian, which satisfies

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \nabla_\perp^2 + \frac{M}{2} \omega_\perp (x^2 + y^2) \right] \phi_n(x, y) = E_n \phi_n(x, y), \quad (3)$$

and $\hat{\psi}_n(z, t)$ satisfies the following equal time commutation relation :

$$[\hat{\psi}_n(z, t), \hat{\psi}_{n'}^\dagger(z', t)] = \delta(z - z') \delta_{n, n'}. \quad (4)$$

Using (2) and (3) in (1), we rewrite the Hamiltonian as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H} = & \sum_n \int dz \hat{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_n \right] \hat{\psi}_n(z, t) \\ & + \sum_{nmlk} \frac{g_{nmlk}}{2} \int dz \hat{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \hat{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \hat{\psi}_l(z, t) \hat{\psi}_k(z, t), \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where the renormalized coupling constant is defined by

$$g_{nmlk} \equiv g \int dx \int dy \phi_n^*(x, y) \phi_m^*(x, y) \phi_l(x, y) \phi_k(x, y). \quad (6)$$

The Heisenberg equation of motion for the quantum field operator $\hat{\psi}_n(z, t)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \hat{\psi}_n(z, t) &= [\hat{\psi}_n(z, t), H] \\ &= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_n \right] \hat{\psi}_n(z, t) + \sum_{mlk} g_{nmlk} \hat{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \hat{\psi}_l(z, t) \hat{\psi}_k(z, t). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

In order to deal with the Bose broken symmetry, we separate out the condensate wavefunction from the field operator as

$$\hat{\psi}_n(z, t) = \Phi_n(z, t) + \tilde{\psi}_n(z, t), \quad (8)$$

where the condensate wave function is defined by $\Phi_n(z, t) \equiv \langle \hat{\Psi}_n(z, t) \rangle$. The equation of motion for Φ_n can be obtained by taking statistical average of (7) :

$$\begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi_n(z, t) &= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_n \right] \Phi_n(z, t) + \sum_{kl} \left(g_{nkk} n_c^k + 2g_{nkk} \tilde{n}^k \right) \Phi_l(z, t) \\ &\quad + \sum_{mk} g_{nkk} \tilde{n}^k \Phi_l^*(z, t) + \sum_{mkl} g_{nmkl} \langle \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where $n_c^k = \Phi_k^*(z) \Phi_k(z)$, $\tilde{n}^k = \langle \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \rangle$. In Eq. (9) we have neglected the anomalous average $\langle \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \rangle$, as in Ref. [6]. Moreover, we have assumed that the off diagonal terms of the noncondensate density, $\langle \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_{k'} \rangle (k \neq k')$, are small and thus can be neglected. This assumption is expected to be valid in the case $\omega_z \ll \omega_\perp$ [6]. In addition, in the case where $\omega_z \ll \omega_\perp$, the contribution from higher radial modes to the condensate wavefunction is negligibly small [18]. Therefore, we will henceforth approximate $\Phi_\alpha = \Phi \delta_{\alpha,0}$. With these approximations the generalized GP equation (9) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(z, t) &= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_0 + g_{0000} n_c(z, t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_k 2g_{0kk0} \tilde{n}^k(z, t) - iR(z, t) \right] \Phi(z, t). \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Here the source term R is given by

$$R(z, t) = \frac{\hbar \Gamma_{12}}{2n_c(z, t)}, \quad (11)$$

with $\Gamma_{12} = -2\text{Im} \left(\sum_{nmk} g_{0nmk} \Phi^* \langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \rangle \right)$, $n_c(z, t) = |\Phi(z, t)|^2$ and $\tilde{n}^k = \langle \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \rangle$.

We now turn to the dynamics of the noncondensate. The physical properties of interest are in principle defined by the following equation of motion obtained from (7) and (9):

$$\begin{aligned}
i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\psi}_n(z, t) = & \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_n \right] \tilde{\psi}_n(z, t) + 2 \sum_{kl} g_{nkk l} n^k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \\
& - 2 \sum_{kl} g_{nkk l} \tilde{n}^k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) + \sum_l g_{n00l} \Phi(z, t) \Phi(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \\
& + \sum_{mk} g_{nmk0} \Phi(z, t) \left[\tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) - \tilde{m}^k(z, t) \delta_{mk} \right] \\
& + 2 \sum_{mk} g_{nmk0} \Phi(z, t) \left[\tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) - \tilde{n}^k(z, t) \delta_{mk} \right] \\
& + \sum_{mkl} g_{nmkl} \left[\tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) - \langle \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle \right], \quad (12)
\end{aligned}$$

where $n^k = n_c \delta_{0,k} + \tilde{n}^k$. It is convenient to define the time evolution of $\tilde{\psi}_n(z, t)$ by

$$\tilde{\psi}_n(z, t) = S^\dagger(t, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_n(z, t_0) S(t, t_0), \quad (13)$$

where the unitary operator $S(t, t_0)$ evolves according to the equation of motion

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} S(t, t_0) = \hat{H}_{\text{eff}} S(t, t_0), \quad (14)$$

with $S(t_0, t_0)=1$. The effective Hamiltonian in (14) is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} &= \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}', \\
\hat{H}' &= \hat{H}'_1 + \hat{H}'_2 + \hat{H}'_3 + \hat{H}'_4,
\end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where the various contributions are defined as

$$\hat{H}_0 = \sum_n \int dz \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + E_n + \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger U^n(z, t) \right) \tilde{\psi}_n(z, t), \quad (16)$$

$$U^n(z, t) = V_{\text{ext}}(z) + 2 \sum_k g_{nkk n} n^k(z, t), \quad (17)$$

$$\hat{H}'_1 = \sum_n \int dz \left(L_1 \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger + L_1^* \tilde{\psi}_n \right), \quad (18)$$

$$L_1 = \sum_{mkl} g_{nmkl} \left[2\tilde{n}^k \Phi \delta_{0,l} \delta_{mk} + \tilde{m}^k \Phi^* \delta_{0,l} \delta_{mk} + \langle \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_k \tilde{\psi}_l \rangle \right], \quad (19)$$

$$\hat{H}'_2 = \sum_{kl} \frac{g_{00kl}}{2} \int dz \left(\Phi \Phi \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_l^\dagger + \Phi^* \Phi^* \tilde{\psi}_k \tilde{\psi}_l \right), \quad (20)$$

$$\hat{H}'_3 = \sum_{mkl} g_{0mk0} \int dz \left(\Phi \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_l + \Phi^* \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_k \tilde{\psi}_l \right), \quad (21)$$

$$\hat{H}'_4 = \sum_{nmkl} \int dz \left(\frac{g_{nmkl}}{2} \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_m^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_k \tilde{\psi}_l - 2g_{nmkl} \tilde{n}^n \tilde{\psi}_k^\dagger \tilde{\psi}_l \right). \quad (22)$$

The expectation value of an ordinary operator defined in terms of $\hat{\psi}_n$ and $\hat{\psi}_n^\dagger$ is given by

$$\langle \hat{O}(t) \rangle \equiv \langle \hat{O} \rangle_t = \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}_0(t_0) \hat{O}(t) = \text{Tr} \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) \hat{O}(t_0), \quad (23)$$

where $\tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) = \hat{S}^\dagger(t, t_0) \hat{\rho}(t_0) \hat{S}(t, t_0)$ satisfies the following equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d\tilde{\rho}(t, t_0)}{dt} = [\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}, \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0)]. \quad (24)$$

Our ultimate objective is to obtain a quantum kinetic equation for the noncondensate atoms. We define the Wigner operator as

$$\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0) = \int dz' e^{ip_z \cdot z' / \hbar} \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger \left(z + \frac{z'}{2}, t_0 \right) \tilde{\psi}_n \left(z - \frac{z'}{2}, t_0 \right). \quad (25)$$

The Wigner distribution function is then given by

$$f_n(p_z, z, t) = \text{Tr} \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) \hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0). \quad (26)$$

The equation of motion for f is obtained by using Eq. (24)

$$\frac{\partial f_n(p_z, z, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \text{Tr} \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) [\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), H_0(t)] + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \text{Tr} \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) [\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), H'(t)]. \quad (27)$$

With the assumption that $U^n(z, t)$ varies slowly in space, we then have

$$[\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), H_0(t)] \simeq -\frac{i\hbar}{M} p_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0) + i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial z} U^n(z, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_z} \hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0). \quad (28)$$

The second right hand side of the right hand side of Eq. (28) represents the effect of collisions between the atoms. As we show in Appendix A, the collision integral is the sum of two contributions:

$$\left. \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial t} \right|_{\text{coll}} = C_{12}[f_n] + C_{22}[f_n]. \quad (29)$$

Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f_n(p_z, z, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{p_z}{M} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} f_n(p_z, z, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} U^n(z, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_z} f_n(p_z, z, t) \\ = C_{12}[f_n] + C_{22}[f_n]. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

The C_{12} collision integral is defined as the contribution from the H'_3 perturbation

$$\begin{aligned} C_{12}[f_n] &\equiv -i \text{Tr} \rho(t, t_0) [\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), \hat{H}'_3(t)] \\ &= 4\pi \sum_{n'm'k'} g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}} \left[\delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{k'}) \right] \delta_{p_{zc} + p_{z1}, p_{z2} + p_{z3}} \\ &\quad (\delta_{p_z, p_{z1}} \delta_{nn'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z2}} \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z3}} \delta_{nk'}) [(1 + f_1^{n'}) f_2^{m'} f_3^{k'} - f_1^{n'} (1 + f_2^{m'}) (1 + f_3^{k'})], \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where the local HF single-particle energie is $\tilde{\epsilon}^l = \frac{p_z^2}{2M} + E_l + U^l(z, t)$ and $\epsilon_c = \mu_c + \frac{1}{2}mv_c^2$. The local condensate chemical potential μ_c is defined by

$$\mu_c \equiv -\frac{\hbar^2}{2M\sqrt{n_c(z, t)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \sqrt{n_c(z, t)} + V_{\text{ext}} + E_0 + g_{0000}n_c + \sum_k 2g_{0kk0}\tilde{n}^k, \quad (32)$$

and the condensate velocity is given by $v_c \equiv \frac{\hbar}{M} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \theta(z, t)$ with $\Phi(z, t) = \sqrt{n_c(z, t)}e^{i\theta(z, t)}$. The source term R is directly related to the C_{12} collision term

$$R(z, t) = \frac{\hbar}{2n_c(z, t)} \sum_n \int \frac{dp_z}{2\pi\hbar} C_{12}[f_n]. \quad (33)$$

Similarly, the C_{22} collision is defined as the H'_4 perturbation, which is obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} C_{22}[f_n] &\equiv -i\text{Tr}\rho(t, t_0) [\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), \hat{H}'_4(t)] \\ &= \pi \sum_{n'm'k'l'} g_{n'm'k'l'}^2 \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}, p_{z4}} [\delta(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{k'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{l'})] \\ &\quad \delta_{p_{z1}+p_{z2}, p_{z3}+p_{z4}} (\delta_{p_z, p_{z1}} \delta_{nn'} + \delta_{p_z, p_{z2}} \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z3}} \delta_{nk'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z4}} \delta_{nl'}) \\ &\quad [(1 + f_1^{n'})(1 + f_2^{k'}) f_3^{m'} f_4^{l'} - f_1^{n'} f_2^{k'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{l'})]. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

We refer to Appendix A for detail derivations of the collision integrals C_{12} and C_{22} .

In summery, we have obtained a coupled set of equation of motion for the condensate and noncondensate as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(z, t) &= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_0 + g_{0000}n_c(z, t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_k 2g_{0kk0}\tilde{n}^k(z, t) - iR(z, t) \right] \Phi(z, t), \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f_n(p_z, z, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{p_z}{M} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} f_n(p_z, z, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} U^n(z, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_z} f_n(p_z, z, t) \\ = C_{12}[f_n] + C_{22}[f_n]. \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

The condensate is described by a quasi-1D GP equation for $\Phi(z, t)$. The noncondensate is described by a quasi-1D kinetic equation for the distribution function $f^n(p_z, z, t)$. Here n is the radial mode index. Different radial mode are coupled through the mean-field interaction as well as collisions.

Before closing section, we give equilibrium solution of the coupled ZNG equations. The equilibrium solution for the condensate wavefunction is given by $\Phi_0(z, t) = \Phi_0(z)e^{-i\mu_{c0}t/\hbar}$, where $\Phi_0(z)$ satisfies

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + V_{\text{ext}}(z) + E_0 + g_{0000}n_{c0}(z) + \sum_k 2g_{0kk0}\tilde{n}_0^k(z, t) \right] \Phi_0(z) = \mu_{c0}\Phi_0(z). \quad (37)$$

Here μ_0 is equilibrium chemical potential. The equilibrium distribution function is given by the static equilibrium Bose distribution

$$f_n^0(p_z, z) = \frac{1}{\exp\{\beta_0[p^2/2M + U_0^n(z) - \mu_{c0}]\} - 1}, \quad (38)$$

where $\beta_0 = \frac{1}{k_B T_0}$ is the inverse uniform temperature. The trapping potential is augmented by the HF mean-field $U_0^n = V_{\text{ext}}(z) + 2 \sum_k g_{nkn} n_0^k(z)$. The coupled equations (37) and (38) must be solved self-consistently.

III. DYNAMICS OF FIRST AND SECOND SOUND IN A BOSE CONDENSED GAS

Using the quasi-1D ZNG equations derived in the previous section, we study sound pulse propagation excited by a sudden modification of a trapping potential. The numerical procedure for calculating ZNG equations closely follows that described in Ref. [6, 19]. The dynamics of the thermal cloud is calculated by using N -body simulations [19]. The dynamics of the condensate is determined by numerically propagating the GP equation using a split-operator fast Fourier transform (FFT) method. The numerical method is described in detail in Appendix B.

We take the physical parameters from the experiment of Ref. [4], which reports the observation of second sound propagation. In this experiment, total number of ^{23}Na atoms $N = 1.7 \times 10^8$, radial trap frequency $\omega_{\text{rad}}/2\pi = 95\text{Hz}$, and the aspect ratio $\omega_{\text{rad}}/\omega_{\text{ax}} \approx 65$. In this situation, one has a high density cloud of $n_0 \sim 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. At the lowest temperatures, the BEC has a radial TF radius of roughly $22 \mu\text{m}$ and an axial TF radius of 1.4 mm . The number of test particles is ten times the actual number of thermal atoms in order to minimize the effects of a discrete particle description.

We first consider equilibrium solutions (37) and (38) for these experimental parameters. In Fig. 1, we plot the condensate fraction N_c/N as a function of the temperature. We see that the transition temperature for the Bose-Einstein condensation is given by $T_c \simeq 350\text{nK}$. In Fig. 2, we plot the equilibrium density profiles of the condensate and noncondensate at $T = 176.5 \text{ nK} (\simeq 0.5T_c)$. For comparison, we also show equilibrium density profiles obtained from the full-3D HF calculation, i.e. without making the quasi-1D approximation, in Fig. 2. The differences between with and without the quasi-1D approximation are only a few %.

This confirms that our quasi-1D treatment can well describe the highly-elongated system. We note that in order to obtain reasonable results, we must take large enough number of radial modes so that $E_n > k_B T$. For example, we took about 1000 radial mode for the calculate of Fig. 2.

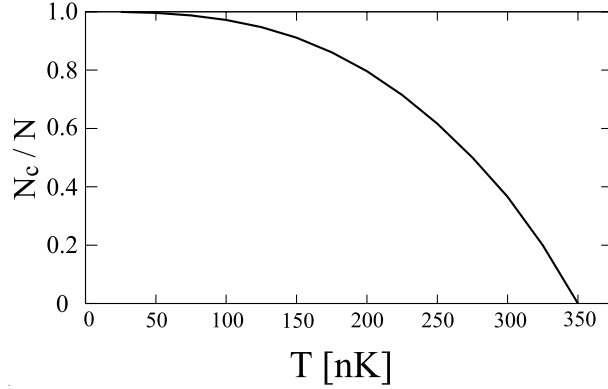


FIG. 1. The condensate fraction N_c/N as a function of the temperature.

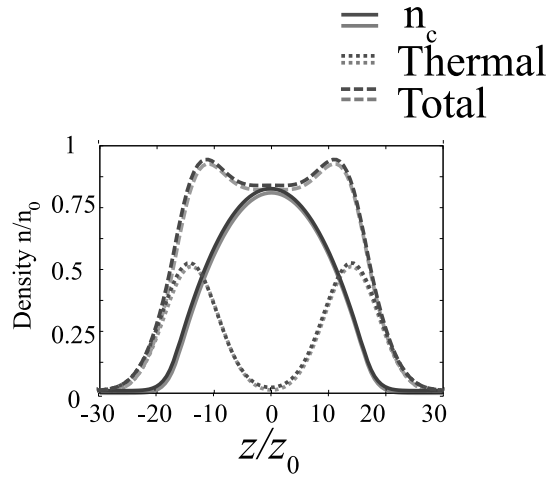


FIG. 2. Axial density profiles in the equilibrium state. Gray lines are solutions within the quasi-1D approximation. Black line are equilibrium solutions without making the quasi-1D approximation.

We now consider density disturbance by a sudden modification of the external potential generating pulse propagation. Here we set the external potential $\delta U(z, t) = A e^{-az^2} \theta(-t)$ with $A \sim 0.5\mu_0$ and $a \sim 250\sqrt{z_0}$ with $z_0 = \sqrt{M\omega/\hbar}$. A localized potential is applied at $t < 0$, while it is turned off at $t = 0$. This situation can be described as presence of a localized potential aimed at the center of the trap, which acts as a repulsive trap. Turning the potential suddenly off causes a local dip of the BEC density. This perturbation splits up

in two waves propagating symmetrically outward, both with half the amplitude of the initial perturbation. A schematic representation of the excitation procedure is shown in Fig. 3. The axial density profiles, shown in Fig. 4 for various propagation times, clearly shows that

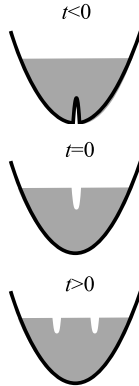


FIG. 3. Schematic representation of the excitation of a sound wave, where the trapping potential, height and width of the perturbation are roughly on scale.

density dips corresponding to two sound modes travel with their sound velocity. The faster sound pulse corresponds to the first sound, while the slower sound pulse corresponding to the second sound. We see that the both depth of the first and second sound dips at $T \simeq 0.5T_c$ are sufficiently large for the experimental observation. For comparison, we plot axial density profiles of condensate and noncondensate separately for various propagation times in Fig. 5.

The axial density profiles at $T = 88.2 \text{ nK} (\simeq 0.25T_c)$ and $T = 264.5 \text{ nK} (\simeq 0.75T_c)$ are shown in Figs. 6 and 7. Compared to Fig. 5 with Fig. 6 and Fig. 7, we see that the first sound mode is dominant at low temperature, while the second sound is dominant at high temperature.

We note that it is difficult to observe sound propagation in a noncondensate thermal cloud because the thermal density perturbations is so small that one cannot distinguish small density perturbations from signal-to-noise in the thermal cloud. Nevertheless, at the intermediate temperature $T \simeq 0.5T_c$ both first and second sound pulses appear in the *total* density. In this regard, we note that the analysis of Ref. [4] was based on the assumption that the condensate motion is always dominated by second sound at all temperatures. However, the calculation shows that the condensate motion is dominated by first sound at low temperatures. Therefore, it is possible that the experimental result of Ref. [4] at $T < 0.5T_c$

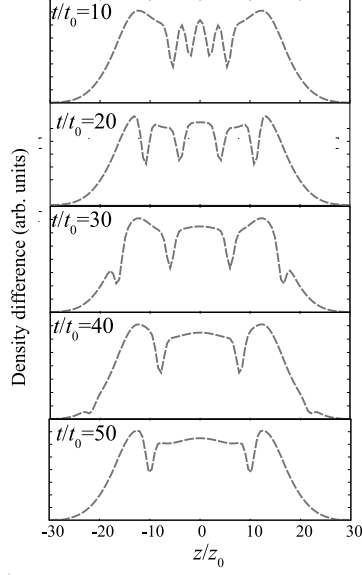


FIG. 4. Axial density profiles of condensate and noncondensate for various propagation times at $T \simeq 0.5T_c$.

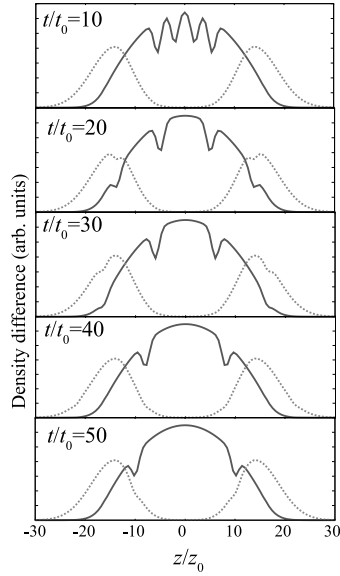


FIG. 5. Axial density profiles of total density for various propagation times at $T \simeq 0.5T_c$.

may have observed first sound. It may therefore require a careful analysis of the experimental data in the crossover temperature regime $T \sim 0.5T_c$ in order to identify two sound modes.

Let us now examine validity of two-fluid hydrodynamics in our system. The existence of first and second sound is predicted by Landau two-fluid hydrodynamics, which is valid

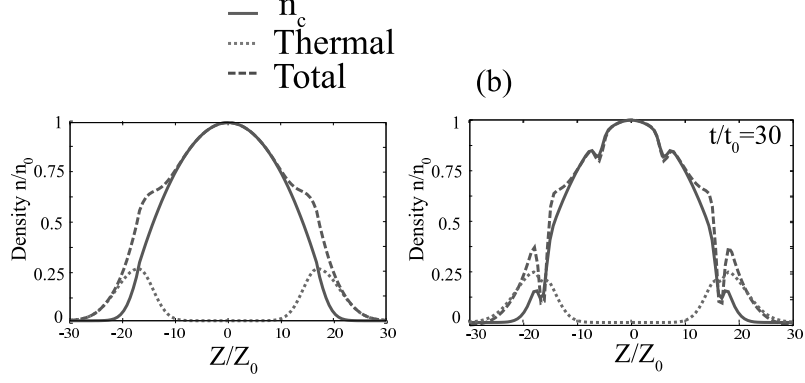


FIG. 6. (a) Axial density profiles in the equilibrium state without perturbation (i. e., $\delta U = 0$) at $T = 88.2$ nK ($\simeq 0.25T_c$). (b) Axial density profiles at propagation time $t/t_0 = 30$.

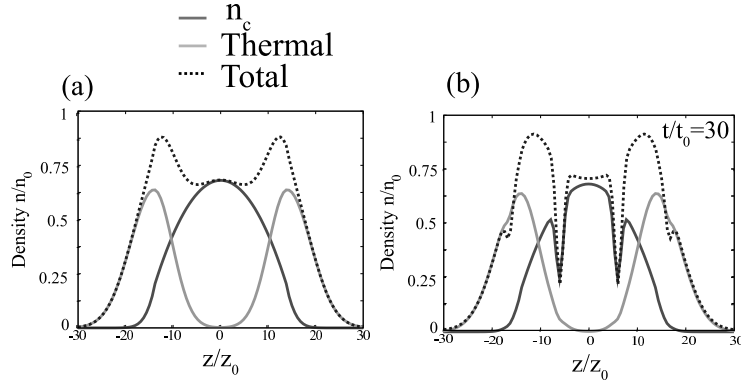


FIG. 7. (a) Axial density profiles in the equilibrium state without perturbation (i. e., $\delta U = 0$) at $T = 264.5$ nK ($\simeq 0.75T_c$). (b) Axial density profiles at propagation time $t/t_0 = 30$

when collisions are sufficiently strong to produce a state of local thermodynamic equilibrium [7]. This requirement is usually summarized as $\omega\tau \ll 1$, where ω is the frequency of a collective mode and τ is the appropriate relaxation rate. In a trapped Bose gas, a relevant relaxation time is τ_{12} relaxation time associated with the C_{12} collisions [6, 17], which describes equilibration between the condensate and the thermal cloud. The relation time τ_{12} is given by

$$1/\tau_{12} = \sum_n \frac{\Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n]}{\tilde{n}^n}, \quad (39)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = & \sum_{n'm'k'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c}{\pi \hbar^3} \int dp_{z2} \int dp_{z3} \int dp_{z4} \delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{k'}) \\ & \times \delta(p_{cz} + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}) f_2^{n'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{k'}). \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

In Fig. 8, we plot the equilibrium local collision rate $1/\tau_{12}$ in a trap as a function of the z distance at $T \simeq 0.75T_c$. This collision rate again has a maximum at the edge if the condensate, falls off rapidly beyond this point, being proportional to the condensate density n_c . This figure shows that $\omega_0\tau_{12} < 1$ in the whole region of the condensate, where $\omega_0 \equiv u_1\xi$, $\xi \equiv \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2mgn_c}}$ being the healing length. For the trap parameters given above and in the temperature range $0.25T_c \lesssim T \lesssim 0.7T_c$, we found that the equilibrium local collision rate satisfies $\omega_0\tau_{12} < 1$ in the whole region of the condensate. Thus, the sound propagation experiment is well within the hydrodynamic regime [14]. For comparison, we also calculated $1/\tau_{12}$ without making the quasi-1D approximation $\frac{1}{\bar{\tau}_{12}(z)} = \int dxdy \frac{\tilde{n}_0}{\tau_{12}^{3D}} / \int dxdy \tilde{n}_0$ [6]. The differences between with and without the quasi-1D approximation are only a few %. This also confirm that our quasi-1D ZNG equation describe dynamics of the highly-elongated system quite well.

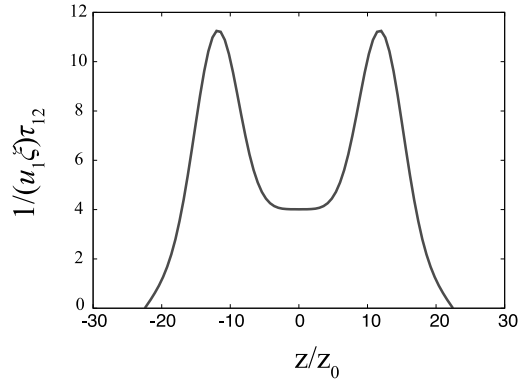


FIG. 8. The equilibrium local collision rate $1/\tau_{12}$ in a trap (in units of a frequency $\omega_0 \equiv u_1\xi$ with the speed of first sound u_1 and healing length $\xi \equiv \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2mgn_c}}$) as a function of the z distance (in units of the harmonic oscillator length) at $T \simeq 0.75T_c$.

In the collisionless regime, i.e. $\omega_0\tau_{12} > 1$, the first and second sound cannot be excited, but only Bogoliubov sound can be excited by a sudden modification of a trapping potential. In Fig. 9 we show the sound pulse propagation at total number of atoms $N = 10^5$ corresponding to the density $n = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ at $T \simeq 0.5T_c$. We see that the dynamics of the cloud is quite different from Fig. 5. Clearly, only the Bogoliubov sound propagates. This situation is similar to the case of MIT experiment in Ref. [10].

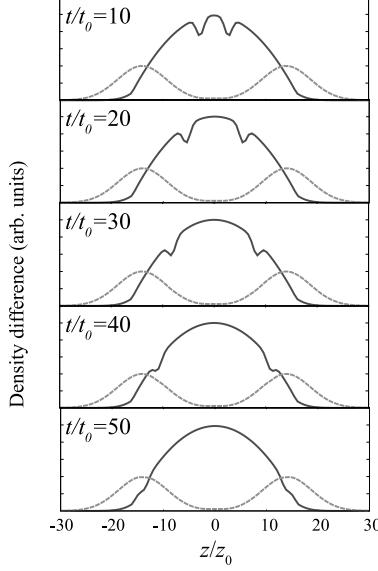


FIG. 9. Axial density profiles of condensate and noncondensate for various propagation times for $N = 10^5$ at $T \simeq 0.5T_c$. In this case, the system is in the collisionless regime.

IV. COMPARISON WITH LINEAR RESPONSE SOLUTION OF ZNG HYDRODYNAMIC EQUATIONS FOR A UNIFORM GAS

In this section, we derive an analytical expression for the amplitude of first and second sound pulses for a uniform gas. We limit ourself to the hydrodynamic regime. General expressions for pulse amplitudes have been derived using Landau two-fluid hydrodynamic equations in Ref. [16]. Here we instead use ZNG hydrodynamic equations, which allows for direct comparison with the simulation results. We start with the linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations for a *uniform* gas [20]:

$$\frac{\partial \delta \tilde{n}}{\partial t} = -\tilde{n}_0 (\nabla \cdot \delta \mathbf{v}_n) + \delta \Gamma_{12}, \quad (41)$$

$$M \tilde{n}_0 \frac{\partial \delta \mathbf{v}_n}{\partial t} = -\nabla \delta \tilde{P} - 2g \tilde{n}_0 \nabla (\delta \tilde{n} + \delta n_c) - \tilde{n}_0 \nabla \delta U, \quad (42)$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta \tilde{P}}{\partial t} = -\frac{5}{3} \tilde{P}_0 (\nabla \cdot \delta \mathbf{v}_n) + \frac{2}{3} (\mu_{c0} - U_0) \delta \Gamma_{12}, \quad (43)$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta n_c}{\partial t} = -n_{c0} (\nabla \cdot \delta \mathbf{v}_c) - \delta \Gamma_{12}, \quad (44)$$

$$M \frac{\partial \delta \mathbf{v}_c}{\partial t} = -\nabla (\delta \mu_c - \delta U), \quad (45)$$

where

$$\delta \mu_c = g \delta n_c + 2g \delta \tilde{n}. \quad (46)$$

The expression for $\delta\Gamma_{12}$ is given by

$$\delta\Gamma_{12}[\tilde{f}] = -\frac{\beta_0 n_{c0}}{\tau_{12}} \delta\mu_{\text{diff}}, \quad \mu_{\text{diff}} \equiv \tilde{\mu} - \mu_c, \quad (47)$$

$$\mu_{c0} = gn_{c0} + 2g\tilde{n}, \quad U_0 = 2g(n_{c0} + \tilde{n}). \quad (48)$$

In the above equations, we have explicitly included the time-dependent external perturbation $\delta U(\mathbf{r}, t)$. To solve the linearized hydrodynamic equations, we introduce velocity potentials according to $\delta\mathbf{v}_c \equiv \nabla\phi_c$ and $\delta\mathbf{v}_n \equiv \nabla\phi_n$. In terms of these new variables, the equations for the condensate and the equations for the noncondensate can be combined to give

$$M \frac{\partial^2 \phi_c}{\partial t^2} = gn_{c0} \nabla^2 \phi_c + 2g\tilde{n}_0 \nabla^2 \phi_n + \frac{\sigma_H}{\tau_\mu} \delta\mu_{\text{diff}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta U, \quad (49)$$

$$M \frac{\partial^2 \phi_n}{\partial t^2} = \left(\frac{5\tilde{P}_0}{3\tilde{n}_0} + 2g\tilde{n}_0 \right) \nabla^2 \phi_n + 2gn_{c0} \nabla^2 \phi_c - \frac{2\sigma_H}{3\tau_\mu} \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0} \delta\mu_{\text{diff}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta U. \quad (50)$$

Here $\delta\Gamma_{12}$ has been expressed in terms of $\delta\mu_{\text{diff}}$ using (47). The equation of motion for $\delta\mu_{\text{diff}}$ is given by

$$\frac{\partial \delta\mu_{\text{diff}}}{\partial t} = \frac{2}{3} gn_{c0} \nabla^2 \phi_n - gn_{c0} \nabla^2 \phi_c - \frac{\delta\mu_{\text{diff}}}{\tau_\mu}, \quad (51)$$

where the relation time τ_μ associated with the chemical potential difference is defined via

$$\frac{1}{\tau_\mu} \equiv \frac{\beta_0 gn_{c0}}{\tau_{12}} \left(\frac{\frac{5}{2}\tilde{P}_0 + 2g\tilde{n}_0 n_{c0} + \frac{2}{3}\tilde{\gamma}_0 gn_{c0}^2}{\frac{5}{2}\tilde{\gamma}_0 \tilde{P}_0 + \frac{2}{3}gn_{c0}^2} - 1 \right) \equiv \frac{\beta_0 gn_0}{\tau_{12} \sigma_H}. \quad (52)$$

As discussed in Refs. [16], the linear response to the pulse perturbation can be described in terms of the density response function $\chi_{nm}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$. We will thus calculate $\chi_{nm}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$ by considering the external perturbation that excites plane wave $\delta U = \delta U_{\mathbf{q}, \omega} e^{i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$. Therefore we look for the plane-wave solutions $\phi_{c,n}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \phi_{c,n, \mathbf{q}, \omega} e^{i(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$. In this case, (51) reduces to

$$\delta\mu_{\text{diff}} = \frac{\tau_\mu}{1 - i\omega\tau_\mu} gn_{c0} \left(\phi_c - \frac{2}{3} \phi_n \right) q^2. \quad (53)$$

Substituting this result into (49) and (50), we are left with two coupled equations for the superfluid and normal fluid velocity potentials:

$$\begin{aligned} M\omega^2 \phi_{c, \mathbf{q}, \omega} &= gn_{c0} \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_H}{1 - i\omega\tau_\mu} \right) q^2 \phi_{c, \mathbf{q}, \omega} \\ &+ 2g\tilde{n}_0 \left[1 + \frac{\sigma_H}{3(1 - i\omega\tau_\mu)} \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0} \right] q^2 \phi_{n, \mathbf{q}, \omega} - i\omega \delta U_{\mathbf{q}, \omega}, \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

and

$$M\omega^2\phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} = \left\{ \frac{5\tilde{P}_0}{3\tilde{n}_0} + 2g\tilde{n}_0 \left[1 - \frac{2\sigma_H}{9(1-i\omega\tau_\mu)} \frac{n_{c0}^2}{\tilde{n}_0^2} \right] \right\} q^2\phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} \\ + 2gn_{c0} \left[1 + \frac{\sigma_H}{3(1-i\omega\tau_\mu)} \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0} \right] q^2\phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} - i\omega\delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega}. \quad (55)$$

Taking the limit $\omega\tau_\mu \rightarrow 0$ of these coupled equations, we obtain

$$M\omega^2\phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} = gn_{c0}(1-\sigma_H)q^2\phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} + 2g\tilde{n}_0 \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_H n_{c0}}{3\tilde{n}_0} \right) q^2\phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} - i\omega\delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega}, \quad (56)$$

$$M\omega^2\phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} = \left[\frac{5\tilde{P}_0}{3\tilde{n}_0} + 2g\tilde{n}_0 \left(1 - \frac{2\sigma_H n_{c0}^2}{9\tilde{n}_0^2} \right) \right] q^2\phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} \\ + 2gn_{c0} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_H n_{c0}}{3\tilde{n}_0} \right) q^2\phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} - i\omega\delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega}. \quad (57)$$

It is useful to rewrite (56) and (57) in a simple matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega^2 - v_2^2 q^2 & -v_{21}^2 q^2 \\ -v_{12}^2 q^2 & \omega^2 - v_1^2 q^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} \\ \phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega\delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (58)$$

where we have introduced new velocities

$$v_2^2 = \frac{gn_{c0}}{M}(1-\sigma_H), \quad v_{21}^2 = \frac{2g\tilde{n}_0}{M} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_H n_{c0}}{3\tilde{n}_0} \right), \\ v_{12}^2 = \frac{2gn_{c0}}{M} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_H n_{c0}}{3\tilde{n}_0} \right), \quad v_1^2 = \frac{5\tilde{P}_0}{3M\tilde{n}_0} + \frac{2g\tilde{n}_0}{M} \left(1 - \frac{2\sigma_H n_{c0}^2}{9\tilde{n}_0^2} \right). \quad (59)$$

We note that these new velocities are related to the first and second sound velocities u_1 and u_2 through

$$u_1^2 + u_2^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2, \quad u_1^2 u_2^2 = v_1^2 v_2^2 - v_{12}^2 v_{21}^2. \quad (60)$$

Solving (58), we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} \\ \phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega\delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega} \frac{1}{(\omega^2 - u_1^2 q^2)(\omega^2 - u_2^2 q^2)} \begin{pmatrix} \omega^2 - v_1^2 q^2 + v_{21}^2 q^2 \\ v_{12}^2 q^2 + \omega^2 - v_2^2 q^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (61)$$

Using (53) and Taking the limit $\omega\tau_\mu \rightarrow 0$, (45) and (41) reduce to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta n_c \\ \delta \tilde{n} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{q^2}{-i\omega M} \begin{pmatrix} n_{c0}(1+\sigma_H) & -\frac{2}{3}\sigma_H n_{c0} \\ -\sigma_H n_{c0} & \tilde{n}_0(1+\frac{2}{3}\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{c,\mathbf{q},\omega} \\ \phi_{n,\mathbf{q},\omega} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (62)$$

Using the solution (61) in the expression (62), we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta n_c \\ \delta \tilde{n} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{q^2 \delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega}}{M(\omega^2 - u_1^2 q^2)(\omega^2 - u_2^2 q^2)} \\ \times \begin{pmatrix} n_{c0}(1+\frac{1}{3}\sigma_H)\omega^2 + \{n_{c0}(1+\sigma_H)(-v_1^2 + v_{21}^2) + \frac{2}{3}\sigma_H n_{c0}(v_2^2 - v_{12}^2)\}q^2 \\ \tilde{n}_0(1-\frac{1}{3}\sigma_H \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})\omega^2 + \{n_{c0}\sigma_H(v_1^2 - v_{21}^2) + \tilde{n}_0(1+\frac{2}{3}\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})(-v_2^2 + v_{12}^2)\}q^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (63)$$

The solution can always be written in terms of the density response function, defined as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta n_c \\ \delta \tilde{n} \end{pmatrix} = \delta U_{\mathbf{q},\omega} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{n_c n} \\ \chi_{\tilde{n} n} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (64)$$

with

$$\chi_{n_c n} = \frac{q^2 n_{c0}}{M} \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H)\omega^2 + \{(1 + \sigma_H)(-v_1^2 + v_{21}^2) + \frac{2}{3}\sigma_H(v_2^2 - v_{12}^2)\}q^2}{(\omega^2 - u_1^2 q^2)(\omega^2 - u_2^2 q^2)}, \quad (65)$$

$$\chi_{\tilde{n} n} = \frac{q^2 \tilde{n}_0}{M} \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})\omega^2 + \{\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0}\sigma_H(v_1^2 - v_{21}^2) + (1 + \frac{2}{3}\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})(-v_2^2 + v_{12}^2)\}q^2}{(\omega^2 - u_1^2 q^2)(\omega^2 - u_2^2 q^2)}. \quad (66)$$

In the case of the sound propagation experiment, a localized potential is applied at $t > 0$, while it is turned off at $t = 0$. This situation can be described as $\delta U(\mathbf{r}, t) = \delta U(z)\theta(-t)$ [16]. In this case, the density fluctuations at $t > 0$ is given by

$$\delta n_c(z, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int dq \int d\omega \delta U(q) \frac{\chi''_{n_c n}}{(w + i\eta)} e^{iqz - i\omega t} \quad (t > 0), \quad (67)$$

$$\delta \tilde{n}(z, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int dq \int d\omega \delta U(q) \frac{\chi''_{\tilde{n} n}}{(w + i\eta)} e^{iqz - i\omega t} \quad (t > 0), \quad (68)$$

where $\chi''_{n_c n}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \text{Im}\chi_{n_c n}(\mathbf{q}, \omega + i\eta)$ and $\chi''_{\tilde{n} n}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \text{Im}\chi_{\tilde{n} n}(\mathbf{q}, \omega + i\eta)$. From (67) and (68), we obtain

$$\delta n_c(z, t) = W_1^{n_c} [\delta U(z - u_1 t) + \delta U(z + u_1 t)] + W_2^{n_c} [\delta U(z - u_2 t) + \delta U(z + u_2 t)], \quad (69)$$

$$\delta \tilde{n}(z, t) = W_1^{\tilde{n}} [\delta U(z - u_1 t) + \delta U(z + u_1 t)] + W_2^{\tilde{n}} [\delta U(z - u_2 t) + \delta U(z + u_2 t)], \quad (70)$$

where the amplitudes of the sound pulse are given by

$$W_1^{n_c} = \frac{n_{c0}}{2Mu_1^2} \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H)u_1^2 + (1 + \sigma_H)(-v_1^2 + v_{21}^2) + \frac{2}{3}\sigma_H(v_2^2 - v_{12}^2)}{u_2^2 - u_1^2}, \quad (71)$$

$$W_2^{n_c} = \frac{n_{c0}}{2Mu_2^2} \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H)u_2^2 + (1 + \sigma_H)(-v_1^2 + v_{21}^2) + \frac{2}{3}\sigma_H(v_2^2 - v_{12}^2)}{u_2^2 - u_1^2}, \quad (72)$$

$$W_1^{\tilde{n}} = \frac{\tilde{n}_0}{2Mu_1^2} \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})u_1^2 + \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0}\sigma_H(v_1^2 - v_{21}^2) + (1 + \frac{2}{3}\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})(-v_2^2 + v_{12}^2)}{u_2^2 - u_1^2}, \quad (73)$$

$$W_2^{\tilde{n}} = \frac{\tilde{n}_0}{2Mu_2^2} \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{3}\sigma_H \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})u_2^2 + \frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0}\sigma_H(v_1^2 - v_{21}^2) + (1 + \frac{2}{3}\frac{n_{c0}}{\tilde{n}_0})(-v_2^2 + v_{12}^2)}{u_2^2 - u_1^2}. \quad (74)$$

We estimate the interaction parameter for a uniform gas corresponding to the experiment of Ref. [4] from the average density of the trapped gas, and obtain $na^3 \simeq 0.07$ and thus $\frac{gn}{k_B T_c^0} \simeq 0.5$, where T_c^0 is the BEC transition temperature of an ideal Bose gas. In Fig. 10, we plot the first and second sound velocities as a function of temperature within the HF approximation, and compare with the sound velocities deduced from ZNG simulations discussed in the

previous section. We emphasize that both first and second sound velocities obtained from ZNG simulation show good agreement with HF approximation. This confirms that our ZNG simulation well describe the two-fluid hydrodynamics.

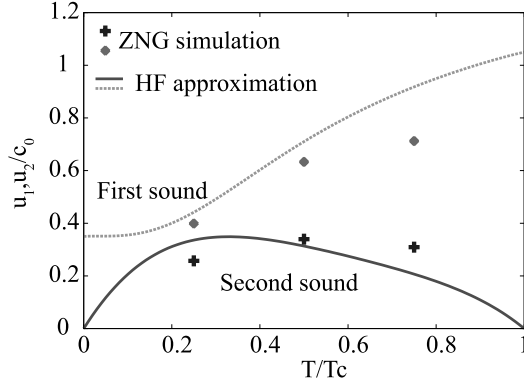


FIG. 10. First and second sound velocities as a function of temperature.

We now compare the pulse amplitude obtained from simulation results in the previous section with the ZNG hydrodynamic results for a uniform Bose gas. The amplitudes of first and second sound $W_i^{n_c}$ and $W_i^{\tilde{n}}$ are obtained by taking average of subtracting the unperturbed density profile from perturbed ones. In Fig. 11, the first and second sound amplitudes for condensate and noncondensate components obtained by the simulation of ZNG equations (Eqs. (10) and (30)) and the results (71)-(74) which calculated by the linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations. We see that the simulation results are consistent with the analytical results.

V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have discussed sound propagation in Bose-condensed gases in a highly-elongated harmonic trap. In order to consider the situation of a highly-elongated harmonic trap, we derive quasi-1D ZNG equations. Using these equation, we show the several dynamical simulation with the same parameter as experiment on second sound. We showed that both first and second sound mode can be observed by a sudden modification of a trapping potential at intermediate temperatures. We also found that the thermal density perturbations is so small that one cannot distinguish small density perturbations from signal-to-noise in the thermal cloud.

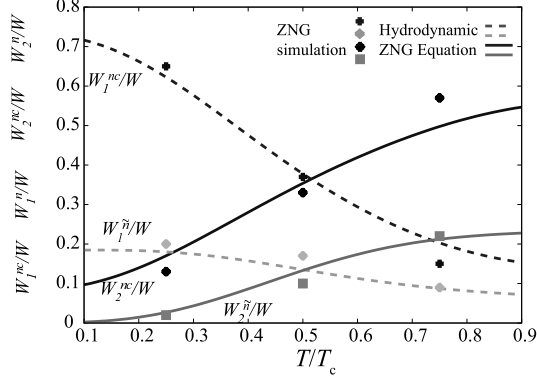


FIG. 11. The first sound amplitude $W_1 = W_1^{nc} + W_1^{\tilde{n}}$ and second sound amplitude $W_2 = W_2^{nc} + W_2^{\tilde{n}}$ as a function of temperature, where $W = W_1 + W_2 = W_1^{nc} + W_1^{\tilde{n}} + W_2^{nc} + W_2^{\tilde{n}}$. Lines show the results from the self-consistent HF approximation. Data points are results from the simulation solving ZNG equations.

We also derived expression for the pulse amplitude of condensate and noncondensate components in a uniform Bose gases using linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations. The first and second sound amplitude obtained by dynamical simulation are consistent with the results calculated by the linearized ZNG hydrodynamic equations. This also confirm that the system we considered in this paper is well described by the two-fluid hydrodynamics. The quasi-1D ZNG formalism developed in this paper is very useful in analyzing the finite temperature dynamics of highly-elongated Bose-condensed gases. In a separate paper, we will study the collective modes of a highly-elongated Bose gas at finite temperatures. We hope to stimulate further detailed experimental examination on the dynamics of Bose condensed gases at finite temperatures.

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Appendix A: DERIVATION OF COLLISION INTEGRALS

In this Appendix, we give a detailed derivation of the expressions for the collision integrals given by (31) and (34). We closely follow the approach of Refs. [6, 17].

According to the time dependent perturbation theory, the expectation value of an arbitrary operator $\hat{O}(t)$ made up of some combination of non-condensate field operators can be expressed to first order in \hat{H}' as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{O} \rangle_t = \text{Tr} \Big\{ & \hat{S}_0(t, t_0) \hat{O}(t_0) \hat{S}_0(t, t_0) \\ & - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t dt' \hat{S}_0^\dagger(t', t_0) [\hat{S}_0^\dagger(t, t') \hat{O}(t_0) \hat{S}_0(t, t'), \hat{H}'(t')] S_0(t', t_0) \Big\}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A1})$$

The three-field correlation function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle \\ &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}(t_0) \int_{t_0}^t dt' \hat{S}_0^\dagger(t', t_0) [\hat{S}_0^\dagger(t, t') \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t_0) \\ & \quad \times \hat{S}_0(t, t'), \hat{H}'_1(t') + \hat{H}'_3(t')] S_0(t', t_0) \\ &\equiv \langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle^{(1)} + \langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle^{(3)}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A2})$$

where $\langle \dots \rangle^{(i)}$ denote the contribution from \hat{H}'_i . In this case, contributions from the other terms in \hat{H}' can be shown to vanish. The evaluation of correlation functions is facilitated by two key assumptions: The effect of $H'_1(t')$ in the interval $t_0 < t' < t$ is essentially a collision process, which occurs on a time scale much shorter than all other time scales in the problem, and the hydrodynamic variables vary slowly in space and time. It is sufficient to use

$$\begin{aligned} n_c^n(z', t) &\simeq n_c^n(z, t) \simeq n_c(z, t), \quad \tilde{n}^n(z', t) \simeq \tilde{n}^n(z, t), \\ \theta(z', t) &\simeq \theta(z, t) - \frac{\epsilon_c(z, t)}{\hbar} (t' - t) + \frac{m\mathbf{v}_c(z, t)}{\hbar} (z' - z), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A3})$$

and

$$\hat{S}_0(t, t') \simeq e^{-i\hat{H}_0(t)(t-t')}. \quad (\text{A4})$$

Introducing the Fourier transform of the non-condensate field operators according to

$$\tilde{\psi}_n(z, t_0) = \sum_{p_z} a_{p_z, n} e^{ip_z z}. \quad (\text{A5})$$

The contribution from H'_1 to the commutator is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
& [\hat{S}_0^\dagger(t, t') \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t_0) \hat{S}_0(t, t'), \hat{H}'_1(t')], \\
& = -2 \sum_{n'k'l'} g_{n'n'k'l'} \sum_{p_{z1}p_{z2}p_{z3}p_{z4}} e^{-i(p_{z1}-p_{z2}-p_{z3})z} e^{i(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k)(t-t')} \int dz' \tilde{n}^{n'}(z', t) \Phi_{k'}(z', t) \\
& [a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} a_{p_{z3}k}, a_{p_{z4}l'}^\dagger] \\
& \simeq -2 \sum_{n'l'} g_{n'n'0l'} \tilde{n}^{n'}(z, t) \sqrt{n_c} e^{i\theta(z, t)} \sum_{p_{z1}p_{z2}p_{z3}p_{z4}} e^{-i(p_{zc}+p_{z1}-p_{z2}-p_{z3})z} e^{i(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k)(t-t')} \\
& \times \delta_{p_{z4}p_{zc}} [a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \delta_{p_{z3}p_{z4}} \delta_{l',l} + a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}l} \delta_{p_{z2}p_{z4}} \delta_{l',m}], \tag{A6}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have defined the condensate momentum $p_{zc} \equiv mv_c$. We thus obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle_{(1)} & = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}(t_0) \int_{t_0}^t dt' \hat{S}_0^\dagger(t', t_0) [\hat{S}_0^\dagger(t, t') \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t_0) \\
& \times \hat{S}_0(t, t'), \hat{H}'_1(t')] S_0(t', t_0) \\
& = 2i \sum_{n'l'} g_{n'n'0l'} \tilde{n}^{n'}(z, t) \sqrt{n_c} e^{i\theta(z, t)} \\
& \sum_{p_{z1}p_{z2}p_{z3}p_{z4}} e^{-i(p_{zc}+p_{z1}-p_{z2}-p_{z3})z/\hbar} \delta_{p_{z4}p_{zc}} \\
& \times \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{i(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k)(t-t')/\hbar} [\langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \rangle \delta_{p_{z3}p_{z4}} \delta_{l',l} \\
& + \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}l} \rangle \delta_{p_{z2}p_{z4}} \delta_{l',m}], \tag{A7}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \rangle_{t'} = \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}(t_0) \hat{S}_0^\dagger(t', t_0) a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} S_0(t', t_0) \simeq e^{i(\tilde{\epsilon}_1 - \tilde{\epsilon}_2)(t'-t_0)} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z1}m} \rangle_{t_0}. \tag{A8}$$

We now assume that the initial statistical density matrix $\hat{\rho}(t_0)$ has the form appropriate for the HF Hamiltonian

$$\langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z1}m} \rangle_{t_0} \simeq \delta_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}} \delta_{nm} f^n(p_{z1}, z, t), \tag{A9}$$

where we have assume that off-diagonal contribution $n \neq m$ is neglecting small. In fact, in equilibrium, $f_{nm}(n \neq m) < 10^{-5}$ and $\sum_{n \neq m} f_{nm} < 10^{-3}$. Similarly, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t) \rangle_{(3)} \\
& = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}(t_0) \int_{t_0}^t dt' \hat{S}_0^\dagger(t', t_0) [\hat{S}_0^\dagger(t, t') \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t_0) \tilde{\psi}_l(z, t_0) \times \hat{S}_0(t, t'), \hat{H}'_3(t')] S_0(t', t_0) \\
& = -2 \sum_{n'm'k'} g_{n'm'k'0} n_c^{1/2} e^{i\theta} \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}p_{z3}} e^{i(p_{z2}+p_{z3}-p_{z1}-p_{zc})z} \\
& \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{i(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k)(t-t')} \sum_{p'_{z1}, p'_{z2}p'_{z3}} \delta_{p_{zc}+p'_{z1}, p'_{z2}+p'_{z3}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times [\delta_{p_2,p'_2} \delta_{p_3,p'_3} \delta_{mm'} \delta_{kk'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'} + \delta_{p_2,p'_2} \delta_{mm'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p_{z3}k}^\dagger a_{p'_{z3}k'} \rangle_{t'} \\
& + \delta_{p_3,p'_3} \delta_{ll'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p_{z2}m}^\dagger a_{p'_{z2}m'} \rangle_{t'} - \delta_{p_1,p'_1} \delta_{nn'} \langle a_{p_{z2}m}^\dagger a_{p'_{z2}m'} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p_{z3}k}^\dagger a_{p'_{z3}k'} \rangle_{t'} \\
& + \delta_{p_2,p'_2} \delta_{mm'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p'_{z3}k'}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'} + \delta_{p_1,p'_1} \delta_{nn'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p'_{z2}m'}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'}]. \quad (A10)
\end{aligned}$$

The last two terms reduce to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{p'_{z1}, p'_{z2}, p'_{z3}} \delta_{p_2,p'_2} \delta_{p_{cz}+p'_{z1}, p'_{z2}+p'_{z3}} (\delta_{mm'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p'_{z3}k'}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'} \\
& + \delta_{p_1,p'_1} \delta_{nn'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \rangle_{t'} \langle a_{p'_{z2}m'}^\dagger a_{p'_{z1}n'} \rangle_{t'}) \\
& = \tilde{n}^{n'} \sum_{p_{z2}'} \delta_{p_{zc}, p'_{z2}} (\delta_{p_{z2}, p'_{z2}} \delta_{m,m'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k} \rangle_t + \delta_{p_{z3}, p'_{z2}} \delta_{k,m'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m} \rangle_t). \quad (A11)
\end{aligned}$$

We now see that the last two terms in this equation exactly cancel the contribution from \hat{H}'_1 . We thus obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \tilde{\psi}_n^\dagger(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_m(z, t) \tilde{\psi}_k(z, t) \rangle_t &= -i2\pi g_{nmk0} n_c^{1/2} e^{i\theta} \\
& \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}} \left[\delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k) + \frac{i}{\pi} P \frac{1}{(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k)} \right] \\
& \delta_{p_{zc}+p_{z1}, p_{z2}+p_{z3}} [f_1^n (1 + f_2^m)(1 + f_3^k) - (1 + f_1^n) f_2^m f_3^k], \quad (A12)
\end{aligned}$$

with $f_i^l = f^l(p_{zi}, z_i, t)$. In addition, we have treated the system as locally homogeneous, with the consequence that the local HF single-particle energies, $\tilde{\epsilon}^l = \frac{p_z^2}{2M} + E_l + U^l(z, t)$. Using (A12), we obtain the C_{12} collision integral

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{12}[f_n] &\equiv -i \text{Tr} \rho(t, t_0) [\hat{f}_n(p_z, z, t_0), \hat{H}'_3(t)] \\
&\simeq -i \sum_{n'm'k'} g_{n'm'k'0} n_c^{1/2} e^{-i\theta} \sum_{qz} \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}} e^{iq_z z} \delta(p_{cz} + p_{z1}, p_{z2} + p_{z3}) e^{ip_{zc} z} \\
& [\delta_{p_{z1}, p_z+q_z/2} \delta_{mn'} \langle a_{p_z-q_z/2n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m'} a_{p_{z3}k'} \rangle_t - \delta_{p_{z2}, p_z-q_z/2} \delta_{nm'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_z-q_z/2m} a_{p_{z3}k'} \rangle_t \\
& - \delta_{p_{z3}, p_z-q_z/2} \delta_{nk'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m'} a_{p_z-q_z/2m} \rangle_t - h.c.] \\
&= 4\pi \sum_{n'm'k'} g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}} \left[\delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_1^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{k'}) \right] \\
& \times \delta_{p_{zc}+p_{z1}, p_{z2}+p_{z3}} (\delta_{p_z, p_{z1}} \delta_{nn'} + \delta_{p_z, p_{z2}} \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z3}} \delta_{n'l'}) \\
& \times [(1 + f_1^{n'}) f_2^{m'} f_3^{k'} - f_1^{n'} (1 + f_2^{m'}) (1 + f_3^{k'})]. \quad (A13)
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can obtain the expression for C_{22} collision term, which is the contribution from the \hat{H}'_4 perturbation.

$$C_{22}[f_n] \equiv -i \text{Tr} \tilde{\rho}(t, t_0) [\hat{f}(p_z, z, t_0), \hat{H}'_4(t)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \simeq \frac{-i}{2} \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \sum_{q_z} \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}} e^{iq_z z} \delta(p_{z1} + p_{z2}, p_{z3} + p_{z4}) \\
& \times [\delta_{p_{z1}, p_z + q_z/2} \delta_{mn'} \langle a_{p_z - q_z/2n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m'}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k'} a_{p_{z4}l'} \rangle_t \\
& + \delta_{p_{z2}, p_z + q_z/2} \delta_{mm'} \langle a_{p_z - q_z/2n}^\dagger a_{p_{z1}n'}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k'} a_{p_{z4}l'} \rangle_t \\
& - \delta_{p_{z3}, p_z - q_z/2} \delta_{nk'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n'}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m'}^\dagger a_{p_{z4}l'} a_{p_z + q_z/2m} \rangle_t \\
& - \delta_{p_{z4}, p_z - q_z/2} \delta_{nl'} \langle a_{p_{z1}n'}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m'}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k'} a_{p_z + q_z/2m} \rangle_t]. \tag{A14}
\end{aligned}$$

Using Wick's theorem, we obtain the relevant contribution

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle a_{p_{z1}n}^\dagger a_{p_{z2}m}^\dagger a_{p_{z3}k} a_{p_{z4}l} \rangle_t &= -2\pi i g_{nmkl} \delta(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^n + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^k - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^l) \delta_{p_{z1} + p_{z2}, p_{z3} + p_{z4}} \\
&\times [f_1^n f_2^m (1 + f_3^k)(1 + f_4^l) - (1 + f_1^n)(1 + f_2^m) f_3^k f_4^l]. \tag{A15}
\end{aligned}$$

Inserting (A15) into (A14), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{22}[f_n] &= \pi \sum_{n'm'k'l'} g_{n'm'k'l'}^2 \sum_{p_{z1}, p_{z2}, p_{z3}, p_{z4}} [\delta(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{k'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{l'})] \\
&\times \delta_{p_{z1} + p_{z2}, p_{z3} + p_{z4}} (\delta_{p_z, p_{z1}} \delta_{nn'} + \delta_{p_z, p_{z2}} \delta_{nk'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z3}} \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{p_z, p_{z4}} \delta_{nl'}) \\
&\times [f_1^{n'} f_2^{k'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{l'}) - (1 + f_1^{n'}) (1 + f_2^{k'}) f_3^{m'} f_4^{l'}]. \tag{A16}
\end{aligned}$$

Appendix B: Numerical methods

In this section we discuss solution of the collisionless Boltzmann equation using N-body simulations. The effect of collisions is dealt with later. It is generally very difficult to solve using standard methods for treating partial differential equations. An alternative approach used extensively in the literature is to represent the phase-space density $f_n(p_z, z, t)$ by a cloud of discrete test particles. The momentum and position of each particle in an external potential $U^n(z, t)$ is then evolved according to Newton's equations. The i th test particle has variables $\{z_i(t), p_i(t), n_i(t)\}$. Test particles keep motion in one dimension along z -axis.

The phase-space distribution for this situation is given by

$$f_n(p_z, z, t) = \frac{\tilde{N}}{\tilde{N}_{tp}} 2\pi\hbar \sum_{i=0}^{\tilde{N}_{tp}} \delta(z - z_i) \delta(p_z - p_{zi}) \delta_{n, n_i}. \tag{B1}$$

where the weighting factor is fixed by the requirement that the phase-space distribution is normalized to the number of physical atoms, \tilde{N} , with $\tilde{N}\hbar = \sum_n \int dz dp_z f_n$. By using a

sufficiently large number of test particles, \tilde{N}_T , a reasonable approximation to the continuous phase-space distribution is obtained. Note that the number of test and physical particles is not necessarily equal. In fact, for a relatively small number of physical atoms it is essential to simulate more test particles in order to minimize the effects of a discrete particle description.

The time evolution of $f_n(p_z, z, t)$ is determined by the time-dependent potential and momentum variables of each test particle, given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dz_i}{dt} &= \frac{p_{z_i}(t)}{M}, \\ \frac{p_{z_i}(t)}{dt} &= -\frac{d}{dz}U^{n_i}(z, t)|_{z=z_i}.\end{aligned}\tag{B2}$$

The $n_i(t)$ should change by collision process. The collisions are treated in a similar manner to Ref. [6, 19] except calculation of angle. The i th test particle has the index of radial direction n_i instead of angle.

The phase-space variables are updated by advancing the position and momentum of each particle at discrete time steps Δt . Symplectic integrators are used extensively in molecular dynamics (MD) simulations since they possess several desirable properties, such as conservation of phase-space volume and of energy over a long period. We use a second-order symplectic integrator in our calculations, which is the classical analog of the split-operator method discussed earlier. To show this, it is convenient to work within the Lie formalism. Consider the classical Hamiltonian for a single particle, $H_i = \frac{p_{z_i}^2}{2M} + V_i(z_i)$. The evolution of its phase-space coordinates $Z_i = (p_{z_i}, z_i)$ is then determined by the equation

$$\frac{dZ_i}{dt} = \{Z_i, H_i\} \equiv -i\mathcal{L}Z_i,\tag{B3}$$

where $\{F, G\} = \sum_j (\partial_{z_j} F \partial_{p_{z_j}} G - \partial_{p_{z_j}} F \partial_{z_j} G)$ is the Poisson bracket and \mathcal{L} is the Liouville operator. One can then write the time evolution Z as

$$Z(t + \Delta t) = e^{-i\mathcal{L}\Delta t}Z(t).\tag{B4}$$

Splitting the Hamiltonian into potential and kinetic terms, the effect of the classical operator in the simulations is to update the particle positions and velocities in three steps

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{z}_i &= z_i + \frac{1}{2}\Delta t v_i(t), \\ v_i(t + \Delta t) &= v_i - \frac{\Delta t}{M} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} U^{n_i}(\tilde{z}_i), \\ z_i(t + \Delta t) &= \tilde{z}_i + \frac{1}{2}\Delta t v_i(t + \Delta t).\end{aligned}\tag{B5}$$

The effective potential U is determined self-consistently as the system evolves in time, and includes the condensate mean-field and the mean-field generated by the thermal cloud. The latter is in general much weaker than the condensate mean-field due to the larger spatial extent of the thermal cloud. Nevertheless, it is important to include this term in order to ensure the conservation of the total energy of the system. Although the calculation of the condensate mean-field is straightforward, the use of discrete particles with a contact interatomic potential creates a problem in determining the noncondensate mean-field. Taken literally, the mean-field consists of a series of delta peaks

$$\bar{U}_T^n(z, t) = \frac{\tilde{N}}{\tilde{N}_{tp}} 2 \sum_{k,l} g_{nnkl} \sum_{i=0}^{\tilde{N}_{tp}} \delta(z - z_i) \delta_{n,n_i} \equiv 2g^n \tilde{n}_T^n(z, t). \quad (\text{B6})$$

This expression clearly cannot be used as it is to generate the forces acting on the test particles that are required in the MD simulation. We generate a smooth thermal cloud density by performing a convolution with a sampling (or smoothening) function $S(z)$ which is normalized to unity. In particular, we define

$$\tilde{U}_S^n(z, t) \equiv \int dz' S(z - z') \tilde{U}_T^n(z', t) = \frac{\tilde{N}}{\tilde{N}_{tp}} 2 \sum_{k,l} g_{nnkl} \sum_{i=0}^{\tilde{N}_{tp}} S(z - z_i) \delta_{n,n_i}, \quad (\text{B7})$$

where we choose $S(z) \sim e^{-z^2/\eta^2}$, i.e., an isotropic Gaussian sampling function of width η .

We proceed by making use of a FFT. First, each particle in the ensemble is assigned to points on the 1D Cartesian grid using a cloud-in-cell method. We now consider a particle at position z , between two grid points at z_k and z_{k+1} . The particle is assigned to both points with weightings $(1 - \alpha)$ and α , respectively, where $\alpha = (z - z_k)/(z_{k+1} - z_k)$. This can be viewed as a more sophisticated binning procedure in that it takes into account the actual positions of particles within the cells. We then convolve the cloud-in-cell density with the sampling function by Fourier transforming it and then multiplying it by the analytic FT of the sampling function. An inverse FFT then generates the sampled potential. This potential is used directly in the GP evolution, while the forces on the test particles are obtained by taking a numerical derivative and interpolating to the positions of the particles. We have also checked that small variations of η about the value chosen to do the simulations have little effect on our final results.

Probabilities for either C_{22} or C_{12} collisions are calculated in a way which is consistent with a Monte Carlo sampling of the collision integrals, as discussed below. We first give details

for the C_{22} integral, which physically corresponds to scattering of two thermal particles into two final thermal states. Hence the process conserves the number of thermal atoms $\int dp_z/(2\pi\hbar)C_{22} = 0$. We are interested in the mean collision rate at a point z , which is given by

$$\Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = \int \frac{dp_z}{2\pi\hbar} C_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n], \quad (\text{B8})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] \equiv & \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'l'}^2}{4\pi\hbar^2} \int dp_{z2} dp_{z3} dp_{z4} \left[\delta(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{k'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{l'}) \right] \\ & \times \delta(p_z + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) (\delta_{nn'} + \delta_{nk'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nl'}) \\ & \times f_1^{n'} f_2^{k'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{l'}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B9})$$

We now write the required local collision rate as

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \int \frac{dp_{z1}}{2\pi\hbar} \int \frac{dp_{z2}}{2\pi\hbar} f^{n'}(p_{z1}) f^{k'}(p_{z2}) g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_{z1}, p_{z2}) \\ &= \sum_{kl} \int dp_z w^{n'k'}(p_z) g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_z), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B10})$$

where p_z is a point in two-dimensional momentum space and the factor

$$w^{n'k'}(p_z) = f^{n'}(p_{z1}) f^{k'}(p_{z2}) / (2\pi\hbar)^2, \quad (\text{B11})$$

is considered as a weight function. We denote the maximum value of $w^{n'k'}(p_z)$ by $w_{\text{max}}^{n'k'}$ and define the domain on which the integrand is nonzero by $[-p_{z\text{max}}/2, p_{z\text{max}}/2]$ for each momentum component. Choosing a point p_{zi} at random in the hypervolume $(p_{z\text{max}})^2$, and a random number R_i uniformly distributed on $[0, w_{\text{max}}^{n'k'}]$ the point p_{zi} is accepted if $R_i < w_{\text{max}}^{n'k'}$ and the quantity $g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_{zi})$ is accumulated. The value of the integral is then given approximately as

$$\Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] \simeq \sum_{n'm'k'l'} (p_{z\text{max}})^2 w_{\text{max}}^{n'k'} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i' g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_{zi}), \quad (\text{B12})$$

where N is the number of random p_{zi} points chosen and the prime on the summation includes only those points for which $R_i < w^{nk}(p_{iz})$. For g_{nk}^{ml} , the integral is simply

$$\tilde{n}^n(z) \tilde{n}^k(z) = (p_{z\text{max}})^2 w_{\text{max}}^{nk} \frac{N_s^{nk}}{N}, \quad (\text{B13})$$

where N_s^{nk} is the total number of points accepted, and

$$\Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \tilde{n}^{n'}(z) \tilde{n}^{k'}(z) \frac{1}{N_s^{n'k'}} \sum_i' g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_{zi}). \quad (\text{B14})$$

The sample of N_s^{nk} points accepted consists of $N_s^{nk}p_{z1}$ values and $N_s^{nk}p_{z2}$ values, each of which is distributed according to $f^n(p_{z1})$ and $f^k(p_{z2})$. This set of $2N_s^{nk}p$ values can be identified with N_{cell} test particles in a cell of volume Δz . If this set is to be representative of the local density, we must have

$$\tilde{n}^k(z) = \frac{N_{\text{cell}}}{\Delta z} = \frac{2N_s^{nk}}{\Delta z}. \quad (\text{B15})$$

With this identification,

$$\Delta z \Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = 2 \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \tilde{n}^{n'}(z) \sum_i' g_{n'k'}^{m'l'}(p_{z1}^i, p_{z2}^i). \quad (\text{B16})$$

In other words, the collision rate can be estimated by sampling the test particles in the cell Δz in paris.

For our purposes it is convenient to express the integral in terms of new momentum variables (p_{z0}, p'_{z0}) and (p''_z, p'''_z) : $p_{z1, z2} = (p_{z0} \pm p''_z)/\sqrt{2}$ and $p_{z3, z4} = (p'_{z0} \pm p'''_z)/\sqrt{2}$. p_{z0} and p'' are proportional to the center-of-mass and relative momenta, respectively, of the incoming 1 and 2 particles. The momentum and energy delta functions reduce to

$$\delta(\tilde{\epsilon}_1^n + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^k - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^l) \delta(p_{z1} + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) = \frac{M}{\sqrt{2}} \delta(p_{z0} - p'_{z0}) \delta(p_z''^2 - p_z'''^2 + \tilde{E}_{nk}^{ml}), \quad (\text{B17})$$

with $\tilde{E}_{nk}^{ml} = 2M(E_n + E_k - E_l - E_m)$. Integrating over p'_{z0} and p_z''' , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'l'}^2 M}{4\pi\hbar^2} (\delta_{nn'} + \delta_{nk'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nl'}) \\ &\quad \int dp_{z1} f_1^{n'} \int dp_{z2} f_2^{k'} |p_{z1} - p_{z2}| (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{l'}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B18})$$

where $p_{z3, z4} = p_{z0} \pm \sqrt{p_z''^2 + \tilde{E}_{nk}^{ml}}$. Calculation of the rate therefore involves integrals over all possible initial states and all radial states. Inserting the explicit form of g for Γ_{22} collision rate, we have

$$\Delta z \Gamma_{22}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = \sum_{kl} 2\pi M g_{nmkl}^2 \sum_{(ij)} \tilde{n}^k(z) |p_{zi} - p_{zj}| (1 + f_3^m) (1 + f_4^l), \quad (\text{B19})$$

where the sum is now taken over pairs of test particles. This expression allows us to define the probability P_{ij}^{22} that a pair of atoms (ij) in the cell suffers a collision in a time interval Δt ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ij}^{22}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'l'} \pi M g_{n'm'k'l'}^2 (\delta_{nn'} + \delta_{nk'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nl'}) \\ &\quad \tilde{n}^{k'}(z) |p_{zi} - p_{zj}| (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{l'}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B20})$$

Selecting atoms in pairs from each cell and assigning them a collision probability P_{ij}^{22} allows us to simulate the effect of collisions in a way which is consistent with the Boltzmann collision integral.

We treat C_{12} collisions somewhat differently. First, we note that the total rate of change of the number of thermal atoms per unit volume due to these collisions is

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dp_z}{2\pi\hbar} C_{12}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c}{\pi\hbar^3} \int dp_{z2} \int dp_{z3} \int dp_{z4} \delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{k'}) \delta(p_{cz} + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) \\ &\quad \times (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}) \left[f_2^{n'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{k'}) - (1 + f_2^{n'}) f_3^{m'} f_4^{k'} \right] \\ &\equiv \Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n] - \Gamma_{12}^{\text{in}}[f_n]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B21})$$

According to this definition, using same transformation as in (B19)

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c}{\pi\hbar^3} \int dp_{z2} \int dp_{z3} \int dp_{z4} \delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^n - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^m - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^k) \\ &\quad \times (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}) \delta(p_{cz} + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) f_2^{n'} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{k'}) \\ &= \sum_{n'm'k'} \int dp_{z2} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 M n_c}{\pi\hbar^3} f_2^{n'} p_z^{\text{out}} (1 + f_3^{m'}) (1 + f_4^{k'}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B22})$$

where $p_z^{\text{out}} = \sqrt{|p_{cz} - p_{z2}|^2 - 4M(U^n + E_n - \mu_c)}$. This rate can be estimated by writing

$$\Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n] = \sum_{n'm'k'} \int dp_{z2} w^{n'}(p_{z2}) g_{n'k'}^m(p_{z2}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}), \quad (\text{B23})$$

where $w^n(p_{z2}) = f^n(p_{z2})/(2\pi\hbar)$ and $g_{nk}^m(p_{z2})$ is the remaining part of the integrand. A Monte Carlo sampling of the integral leads to the estimate

$$\Delta z \Gamma_{12}^{\text{out}}[f_n] \simeq \sum_{n'm'k'} \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} g_{nk}^m(p_{zi}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}), \quad (\text{B24})$$

where N_s represents the number of atoms in the cell of volume Δz . The probability of an atom in the cell suffering this kind of collision in the time interval Δt is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} P_{i_{nmk}}^{\text{out}}[f_n] &= g_{nk}^m(p_{zi}) \Delta t \\ &= \sum_{nmk} \frac{2n_c g_{nmk0}^2 M}{\hbar^2} \sqrt{|p_{cz} - p_{z2}|^2 - 4M(U^n + E_n - \mu_c)} \\ &\quad \times (1 + f_3^m)(1 + f_4^k) \Delta t \\ &= \sum_k \frac{2n_c g_{nmk0}^2 M}{\hbar^2} \sqrt{|p_{cz} - p_{z2}|^2 - 4M(E_n - E_0 + g'_{nn00} n_c)} \\ &\quad \times (1 + f_3^m)(1 + f_4^k) \Delta t, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B25})$$

where we assume

$$\begin{aligned}
U^n - \mu_c &= V_{\text{ext}}(z) + 2(g_{nn00}n_c + \sum_k g_{nnkk}\tilde{n}^k) - (V_{\text{ext}}(z) + g_{0000}n_c + \sum_k g_{00kk}\tilde{n}^k) \\
&\simeq \sum_k (2g_{nnkk} - g_{00kk})n_c \equiv g'_{nn00}n_c.
\end{aligned} \tag{B26}$$

The “in” collision rate is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma_{12}^{\text{in}}[f_n] &= \sum_{n'm'k'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 n_c}{\pi \hbar^3} \int dp_{z2} \int dp_{z3} \int dp_{z4} \delta(\epsilon_c + \tilde{\epsilon}_2^{n'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_3^{m'} - \tilde{\epsilon}_4^{k'}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}) \\
&\quad \times \delta(p_{cz} + p_{z2} - p_{z3} - p_{z4}) (1 + f_2^{n'}) f_3^{m'} f_4^{k'} \\
&= \sum_{n'm'k'} \int \frac{dp_{z2}}{2\pi\hbar} f_2^{m'} \int \frac{dp_{z4}}{2\pi\hbar} f_4^{k'} \frac{g_{n'm'k'0}^2 M n_c}{\pi \hbar} (1 + f_3^{n'}) (\delta_{nn'} - \delta_{nm'} - \delta_{nk'}) \\
&\quad \delta[(p_{cz} - p_{z4})(p_{cz} - p_{z2}) - M g'_{n'n'00} n_c + M(E_0 + E_{n'} - E_{m'} - E_{k'})],
\end{aligned} \tag{B27}$$

where we have interchanged the particle labels 2 and 3 to obtain the second line in this equation. This rate corresponds to two thermal atoms scattering into a condensate atom and an outgoing thermal atom, and is thus the rate that atoms feed into the condensate as a result of collisions. Although the collision of atoms 2 and 4 can be treated by the methods used to analyze the C_{22} collision rate, it is preferable to define a single atom collision rate by writing this integral in the form of Eq. (B25) and performing a Monte Carlo sampling with respect to the p_{z2} variable. This procedure leads to the collision probability per atom

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{i_{nmk}}^{\text{in}}[f_n] &= \Delta t \int \frac{dp_{z4}}{2\pi\hbar} f_4^k \frac{g_{nmk0}^2 M n_c}{\pi \hbar} (1 + f_3^n) \\
&\quad \delta[(p_{cz} - p_{z4})(p_{cz} - p_{z2}^i) - M g'_{nn00} n_c + M(E_0 + E_n - E_m - E_k)].
\end{aligned} \tag{B28}$$

This analysis yields probabilities for a particular atom to undergo ‘out’ or ‘in’ collisions. To decide whether either event takes place, another random number $0 < X_{12} < 1$ is chosen. If $X_{12} < P_i^{\text{out}}$ then an ‘out’ collision is accepted; the incoming thermal atom is removed from the ensemble of test particles and two new thermal atoms are created. However, if $P_i^{\text{out}} < X_{12} < P_i^{\text{out}} + P_i^{\text{in}}$, then an ‘in’ collision takes place and atom 2 is removed from the thermal sample. In addition, a second test particle, atom 4, is removed and a new thermal atom, atom 3, is created. In practice, it is exceedingly unlikely that a test particle will exist that will precisely match the required phase-space coordinates of particle 4. We therefore search for a test particle in neighboring phase-space cells and remove this particle if one is

found. This can be justified by remembering that we are only interested in describing the evolution in phase-space in a statistical way *is misleading to think of a direct correspondence between the test particles and physical atoms. If no test particle exists in the vicinity of v_4 , the local phase-space density f_4 , and hence P_i^{in} , will be zero and the ‘in’ collision is precluded from occurring in any case. The above procedure leads to a change in the number of atoms in the thermal cloud. In order to conserve the total particle number the GP equation is propagated with the R term which changes the normalization of the wave function and hence the condensate number. This quantity can be evaluated from the Monte Carlo process described above by summing probabilities for particles*

$$R(z, t) = \frac{\hbar}{2n_c \Delta t} \sum_{nmk} \sum_i (P_{i_{nmk}}^{\text{out}} - P_{i_{nmk}}^{\text{in}}). \quad (\text{B29})$$

In practice, this assignment to grid points is performed with a cloud-in-cell approach similar to the one described earlier. Of course, the normalization of the condensate wave function varies continuously as opposed to the variation of the thermal atom number which changes by discrete jumps. Nevertheless, one can show that the subsequent change in the condensate normalization is consistent with the addition or removal of atoms from the thermal cloud, so that the total particle number, N_{tot} , is conserved within statistical fluctuations.

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